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NEWS AND GOSSIP FROM THE CAPITALS OF THE OLD WORLD

CALLS DIPLOMAT
FROM GERMANY
CHATTERING KINDFrench Writer Does Not
Take Ambassador
Seriously.

By THE MARQUIS DE CASTELLANE

PARIS, Dec. 15.—The silent ones, who give themselves an air of carrying the destinies of the world in their brains, and the chattering ones, to whose words the public, nine times out of ten, attributes too great importance, Prince von Radolin, the German ambassador to France, is one of the latter.

Taking advantage a few days ago of the highly pacific declarations of Prince von Bülow, his chief and the director of Germany policy, he explained to an interviewer that the speech was a confirmation of the attitude he took up and maintained during his Emperor's escapade at Tanglewood.

Prince von Radolin declares—and one must believe him—that the hullabaloo he made on that occasion was a simple blowing off of steam with no ulterior purpose. "Prince von Bülow," says the ambassador, "assures me, and has authorized me to say in his name, that the chancellery at Berlin and the German embassy in Paris has always gone the same way."

These words, which seem to be slightly in disagreement with the appearance of certain acts, especially Baron Tattenbach's conduct at Algiers, are certainly reassuring from the point of view of peace. It shows the desire of the Emperor to consolidate his foreign policy and no longer allow some of his advisers to pull in one direction while he and his chancellery are going in another.

Mistake to Close Lourdes.

Is Lourdes to be closed, or are the religious-minded to be left to think and pray as they will? The reputation of the celebrated place of pilgrimage is as universal now as it was in times past, that of the Delphic oracle. There where all Greece resorted for centuries to give thanks to the gods none thought of making a mockery.

The closing of Lourdes would be an act of impiety and stupidity and would benefit no one—least of all, the Republicans, who will be accused, and not without reason, of sectarianism. But, as a fact, I believe M. Clemenceau has too much sense to undertake such an enterprise.

For the present year's automobile show the organizers have displayed a luxury that has been exceptional. Not only have they obtained from the state for nothing the Palais, which was especially built for the 1900 exhibition, but they have also built another edifice which will take up half the space of the Place des Invalides—a space, that is to say, of several acres.

Here for a fortnight will be gathered together all the motors.

To Limit Auto Speed.

But, while automobilism is thus taking part in its own apotheosis, and, on the other hand, a league being formed to bring motorists to reason by putting a limit to the ridiculous speed which they allow themselves in the streets and high roads, without any regard for women and children.

This league is being formed by our neighbors, the Belgians.

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TROOPS INVISIBLE
IN GRAYISH GREENGerman War Office to Dress
Soldiers so They Can-
not Be Seen.

BERLIN, Dec. 15.—The best color for soldiers' uniforms is gray-green, says the report on experiments made in clothing the Prussian troops this year. Inconspicuousness is the chief requirement in uniforms for modern armies, and its experiments have shown that gray-green is the color that becomes invisible at the shortest distance. Plain gray is almost as conspicuous as the dark blue in which German soldiers are at present clothed.

While gray-green is proved the best color for summer campaigns in Europe, khaki remains the color for tropical wear, and further experiments will be made this winter to decide the most suitable color maneuvering over snow-fields.

The spiked helmets, bright buttons and high collars of the German troops are condemned as impracticable and unhygienic. The ultimate aim of the German war office is to devise a complete fighting and working outfit for the Kaiser's troops, such as the United States and British armies possess.

GORKY'S LATEST NOVEL
PRONOUNCED FAILURE

BERLIN, Dec. 15.—Maxim Gorky's new play, "The Enemies," which has been presented here for the first time, is a total failure. The plot deals with the murder of a wealthy manufacturer, and the heroine is a young Russian girl. The piece is lacking in action and is mostly composed of long tirades on the wile of money.

WIRELESS LIGHTS
AIM OF INVENTORDanish Electrician Gets En-
ergy Out of Air—Dis-
cards Wires.

LONDON, Dec. 15.—"Wireless" electric light has been made possible by Valdemar Poulsen, a Danish inventor, who has demonstrated his invention to an audience of England's leading scientists.

This new form of electricity is capable of a million vibrations a second, thus giving a practically continuous wave of energy. While the "spark" form of electricity, which the Poulsen system will supersede, may be likened to a series of explosions, the new current is like a continuously vibrating tuning fork.

Mr. Poulsen showed how incandescent lamps could be lighted wirelessly, and lit a lamp by a current passed through his own body. Copper wire melted in mid air and the ethereal energy was applied to a copper wire swinging from an induction coil in the darkened room, when it appeared like a waving scimitar of violet flame.

The Poulsen system will improve wireless telegraphy by absolutely perfect tuning, and the impossibility of tapping. Mr. Poulsen also claims that it will solve the problem of a wireless telephone.

EARL IS A SCULPTOR,
DUCHESS A PAINTER

LONDON, Dec. 15.—Aristocratic artists have a studio "quarter" of their own in a quiet corner of Belgrave, and there they have just been joined by the Earl of Albemarle, who is a clever sculptor. His lordship, who is also a brigadier general of volunteers and fought in the Boer war, means to develop his art seriously and to have some of his works cast in bronze.

The Duchess of Rutland, who draws charming portraits in pastel, has rented one of these large studios, and, with her daughter, Lady Victoria Manners, and Lady Vernon, has taken lessons in figure drawing, pastel painting, and modeling from an art teacher.

KING WILL VISIT
HOME OF CURZONEdward to Discuss Signs of
Unrest Among India
Natives.

LONDON, Dec. 15.—It is whispered in court circles that King Edward is very anxious to consult Lord Curzon on several important questions, notably the signs of unrest among some of the natives in India.

Lord Curzon on his return from the United States will reside at Reigate Priory, Surrey, for the rest of the winter. The priory is the property of Lady Henry Somerset, the great temperance reformer, who leases it to Captain and Mrs. Ronald Greville, great friends of the King.

His majesty will probably motor to Reigate soon after Lord Curzon's return and spend the afternoon with him. The King has a very high opinion of Lord Curzon's intellect and is very anxious that the ex-viceroy should once more enter the political arena.

TRAFFIC IN GIRLS
AROUSES GERMANS

BERLIN, Dec. 15.—American agents of dealers in white slaves are again very active, and a day hardly passes that the police are not asked to find young girls who have been enticed away from their homes. Two women, who have confessed to representing houses of ill repute at New Orleans and Buenos Ayres, were arrested the other day, but the authorities have so far been unable to locate the real leaders who have organized the trade.

CHURCHILL HATED
BY THE IRISHAppointment as Chief Sec-
retary Is Bitterly
Resented.

LONDON, Dec. 15.—Irish Nationalists are fiercely opposed to the government's intention to replace Chief Secretary Bryce by Winston Churchill, the clever young relative of the Duke of Marlborough and under secretary for the colonies. They would regard such a change as a breach of the government's promise, for Bryce is an ardent home ruler, while Churchill is opposed to that policy.

Mr. Bryce's appointment on the formation of the Liberal government was a large concession to the Irish party, but his withdrawal to make room for Mr. Churchill is a reversal of the government's neo-Nationalist policy. Hence Mr. Churchill is sure to have troublous times with the fiery Nationalists in parliament, headed by John Redmond and T. P. O'Connor, when he essays to tackle the Irish question.

STAGE TO CHURCH;
ACTOR CONVERTED

LONDON, Dec. 15.—Converted to the Catholic Church, a young London actor, George Trollope, is leaving the Garrick Theater for the English College in Rome to prepare himself for the priesthood. Mr. Trollope, who has played minor parts in some of the best London theaters for seven years past, decided, on his conversion, that he could not conscientiously remain an actor, and while on the road with Arthur Boucher's company he had his contract canceled.

FOET FINDS COLOR
FOR ALL HIS EMOTIONS

PARIS, Dec. 15.—Leon Gozian, the poet, has given the impressions of colors which he gets from emotions. Thus he says: "Piety makes him feel pale blue; resignation, pearl gray; joy, a pretty apple green; satiety, a pale chocolate; pleasure, a beautiful velvety pink; sleep suggests tobacco smoke; reflection is orange; pain, a sooty black, and boredom is chocolate."

Having to pay a bill makes his feel lead-colored, while to receive money calls up visions of flaming red. Rent day is burnt sienna. To go for the first time

to meet the object of his admiration gives him a weak tea color feeling, but the twentieth meeting like the color of very strong tea. No color is suggested by happiness, for he says he has never known it.

ROTHSCHILD'S ASSIST
POOR IN PAYING RENT

PARIS, Dec. 15.—One hundred thousand francs have been distributed by the Rothschild brothers among the twenty wards of Paris. This money, which has been deposited at the marriages of the aristocrats or wards, is intended for assistance to the poor in paying their rent during the coming year.

CELEBRATED FRENCHMAN
HURT IN CAB ACCIDENT

PARIS, Dec. 15.—M. Jules Blois, the celebrated French writer, whose writings have frequently appeared in American papers, has met with a serious accident, having been knocked down by a cab. He has suffered internal injuries, and paralysis of the arm has set in. This condition, however, the doctors declare will not be permanent, and is only the result of muscular strain and nervous shock combined. The writer's condition, however, gives rise to considerable anxiety.

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COVERT COATS, three-quarter, light-fitting, made with English backs, strapped seams, finely tailored, also half taffeta lined, also a few broad-cloths with velvet trimmed collars and fancy sleeves, **\$12.50** were \$17.50, now **\$12.50**

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